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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, PGOV, WB, UR

SUBJECT: HESS' HEALTH

REF: A) BERLIN 1380; B) BONN 11498; C) BERLIN 1358

1. SOVIET PROTOCOL OFFICER ROMANOVSKY TELEPHONED U.S. (CHAIRMAN) PROTOCOL OFFICER AUGUST 13 TO REPORT THAT AMBASSADOR YEFREMOV HAD HAD FURTHER CONVERSATION WITH COMMANDER SOVIET FORCES IN GDR ON SUBJECT OF HESS' HEALTH, AND THAT AS CONSEQUENCE SOVIETS COULD NOW GIVE APPROVAL TO THE REQUIRED MEDICAL TESTS BEING ADMINISTERED TO HESS AT THE BRITISH MILITARY HOSPITAL. ACCORDING TO ROMANOVSKY, LETTER FROM CHARGE TO YEFREMOV (REFS A AND B), ALSO ON BEHALF OF BRITISH AND FRENCH AMBASSADORS, WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN BRINGING ABOUT REVERSAL OF SOVIET POSITION ON THIS QUESTION.

2. ROMANOVSKY SAID PRINCIPAL SOVIET CONCERN WAS THAT HESS NOT REMAIN IN HOSPITAL OVERNIGHT, BUT RATHER BE RETURNED TO SPANDAU FOLLOWING EACH SERIES OF TESTS. U.S. PROTOCOL OFFICER ASSURED HIM THAT ALLIES WOULD CONFORM TO THIS PROCEDURE, AS OUTLINED  
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